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## HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

### THE FIRST MEETING.

PATRONS:—H.E. Sir F. H. May, K.C.M.G., H.E. Vice-Admiral Sir T. H. M. Jeram, R.N., K.C.D., H.E. Maj-General F. H. Kelly, C.B., and Commodore R. H. Anstruther, R.N., C.M.G.

COMMITTEE:—The Stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club (Ex-Officio), the Hon. Mr. D. Landale, Mr. D. M. Ross, Mr. H. P. White, Mr. G. K. Hall, Mr. G. H. Potts, and Capt. F. W. Thicknesse.

JUDGE:—Mr. G. H. Potts.

HANDICAPPER:—Mr. D. M. Ross.

CLERK OF THE SCALES:—Mr. A. Charlton.

STARTER:—Mr. Paul M. Hodgson.

TIME-KEEPER:—Mr. M. S. Sassoon.

Postponed from Saturday, the opening meeting of the season of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club did not draw a large crowd of spectators yesterday. The weather was in striking contrast to that which prevailed on Saturday, a tropical sun shining throughout the afternoon.

Among those present were H.E. the Governor, Lady May and the Misses May, and Sir William and Lady Rees Davies.

The programme was composed of six events, all of which were keenly contested and thoroughly interesting, especially the miscellaneous item of lemon slicing.

The last race is worthy of comment in that the winning jockey, Capt. Anderson, of an Indian Lancers regiment, had not previously ridden over the Happy Valley course. Shabrang was also an unknown quantity to the rider, who, however, surmounted all difficulties and won handsomely. Throughout the racing the band of the 74th Punjabis discouraged lively selections. Details:—

HALF MILE RACE:—For subscription gr-fins of the season 1914-1915 which have run and not won an Official Race. Weight for inches as per scale.

Mr. Shellim's Lucky Gem, 191lb (Mr. Knoll) 1

Mr. Beeton's Kukri, 190lb (Mr. H. Seth) 2

Mr. Ellis Kadoorie's Barada Chief, 192lb (Mr. Hickman) 3

Mr. Vaughan Read's Kosmo Pop, 191lb (Mr. Read) 0

Mr. Brutton's Thurleston, 192lb (Mr. Brutton) 0

Four of the field came away from the start well together, but Kosmo Pop was left. Lucky Gem soon showed the way, with Kukri almost in partnership and Barada Chief some distance behind, third. Bounding the bend the two leaders had a substantial advantage, which, however, was reduced in the home straight. A spirited contest between Knoll's mount and Kukri ended in favour of the former, by a length and a half, a neck only separating Kukri and the Chief.

Time: 1min. 02secs.

Cash Sweeps.

Winner: \$16.00 Ticket No. 1, 5.30 2, 33, \$113.40 3, 5.80 2, 21, 32.40 3, 1, 13.20

GYMKHANA STAKES.—Value \$300. Distance—One mile. For all China ponies. Catch weights at 10st. 6lb.

Mr. Sedgwick's Roman Chief, 146lb (Mr. Sedgwick) 1

Mr. Tierce's Dunrobin, 151lb (Mr. Hickman) 2

Mr. Adams, Castellani, 141lb (Owner) 3

Mr. Brutton's Sunlight, 151lb (Mr. Brutton) 0

Mr. Horford's Mascotte, 153lb (Mr. Gibb) 0

Sir Paul's Duke Dahlia, 140lb (Mr. Knoll) 0

Mr. David Landale's Tinker, 147lb (Mr. Boyd) 0

Mr. F. A. Gae's Alverstone, 149lb (Owner) 0

Mr. Blank's Wild Cat, 146lb (Mr. Forbes) 0

Mr. Moonraker's Maybey, 149lb (Mr. H. Seth) 0

The field came away at the fall of the flag in a bunch, and ran in procession practically the whole journey round. Mascotte and Dunrobin passed and re-passed each other in the van, but at the distance post it was obvious that Hickman's mount had shot his bolt. The Chief, coming through at a raking stride, went away beautifully, and was a good winner by five lengths, finishing quite fresh. A distance of a length and a half divided Dunrobin and Castellani (third).

Time: 2min. 09 2/5secs.

Cash Sweeps.

Winner: \$24.10 Ticket No. 1, 13.40 2, 32, \$395.50 3, 15.00 2, 8, 113.40 3, 20.80 3, 32, 58.70

LADIES' NOMINATION.—Lemon Cutting. Two runs. Open to members of the Jockey, Polo, and Gymkhana Clubs, and to Naval and Military Officers. Each competitor to be nominated by a lady. Prizes for successful competitors and souvenirs for ladies nominating them presented by the Gymkhana Club.

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1 Mr. L. P. Goldney, Mrs. Currie, 2 Lieut. A. W. Forbes, Miss Lammerth, 3 F. W. Thicknesse, Mrs. Mead, Major Lawder, Mrs. Lawder, Mr. C. C. Boyd, Mrs. Landale, Capt. W. H. Smith, Miss Wilkinson, Mr. H. Seth, Mrs. Bain, Mr. H. F. Hickman, Mrs. Hickman, Mr. J. Gibb, Miss Duffy, Mr. C. H. Blason, Mrs. Forsyth, Mr. Knoll, Mrs. Shellim.

Cash Sweeps.

Winner: \$23.50 Ticket No. 1, 9.50 2, 47, 481.35 3, 13.60 2, 149, 137.70 3, 16.00 2, 79, 63.85

ONE MRS RACE.—For subscription gr-fins of any season. Weight for inches as per scale. Winners of one official race 5lbs. extra; of two or more official races allowed 5lbs.

Dr. Forsyth's Lorenzo, 195lb (Mr. Forbes) 1

Mr. Kadoorie's Barada Chief, 190lb (Mr. Hickman) 2

Mr. Shellim's Lucky Gem, 191lb (Mr. Knoll) 3

Mr. D. Landale's Soldier, 190lb (Mr. Boyd) 0

Mr. D. M. Ross' Madeve, 197lb (Mr. Sedgwick) 0

Mr. Brutton's Thurleston, 190lb (Owner) 0

Following a moderate start, Kukri quickly ran away from the rest of the field, and gradually increasing his advantage, led by many lengths up the incline. The remainder of the ponies raced in a cluster, Lucky Gem being slightly in front. At the village Kukri slackened paces considerably, and the field slowly closed up. The leader was manifestly finished, and he was overhauled in the straight, Lucky Gem and Lorenzo competing strenuously for first place. The Chief came along smartly a few yards from home, and nearly caught the leader, but failed by half a length. A similar distance divided the Chief and Lucky Gem.

Time: 2min. 12secs.

Cash Sweeps.

Winner: \$43.90 Ticket No. 1, 10.00 1, 123, \$519.75 2, 9.40 2, 58, 148.50 3, 10.10 3, 71, 74.25

Polo Pony Stakes.—Quarter Mile.—For bond fide polo ponies to be ridden by playing members of the Hongkong Polo Club.

Mr. Gilpin's Sir Galahad, 198lb (Mr. Knoll) 1

Mr. C. C. Boyd's Tipperary, 198lb (Mr. Boyd) 2

Lieut. Forbes' Dirty Dick, 198lb (Lieut. Forbes) 3

Lieut. Handley's Scout, 198lb (Mr. Thompson) 0

Capt. H. Smith's Revenue, 193lb (Mr. Smith) 0

Messrs. Quin and Thicknesse's I.D., 191lb (Mr. Thicknesse) 0

Mr. L. P. Goldney's Joy, 198lb (Mr. Goldney) 0

Sir Galahad led all the way, and won easily by nearly a length and a half, a neck only dividing second from third.

Time: 30secs.

Cash Sweeps.

Winner: \$8.30 Ticket No. 1, 6.10 1, 92, \$538.65 2, 8.10 2, 68, 153.93 3, 9.70 3, 35, 78.85

ONE AND A QUARTER MILE RACE.—Handicap.—For all China ponies.

Mr. Nemaze's Shabrang, 192lb (Mr. Anderson) 1

Mr. Moonraker's Maybey, 192lb (Mr. Hickman) 2

Mr. Brutton's Sevington, 190lb (Mr. Knoll) 3

Mr. D. Landale's Tinker, 194lb (Mr. Sedgwick) 0

Mr. D. Landale's Soldier, 190lb (Mr. Boyd) 0

Mr. Blank's Wild Cat, 141lb (Mr. Forbes) 0

Mr. Hind's Beestock, 141lb (Owner) 0

When the ponies settled down Beestock was leading, followed by Soldier and Shabrang, with Tinker last. The same order was maintained up to the Rock. Round the village bend Shabrang came to the fore and, increasing the advantage won by a length and a half from Maybey with Sevington half a length behind the second pony.

Time: 2min. 49secs.

Cash Sweeps.

Winner: \$50.40 Ticket No. 1, 7.30 1, 95, \$652.05 2, 5.50 2, 56, 186.50 3, 8.00 3, 18, 93.15

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

CHINESE v. HONGKONG.

Eleven selected from the best European players of Soccer in the Colony were opposed to a Chinese team on the Hongkong F. C. ground last evening.

The Chinese team is to represent China in the Olympic at Shanghai shortly, and although four of the picked team were away, they put up a splendid game. Their opponents won by two goals to nil, but were somewhat lucky to do so. The Chinese were speedy and clever, but sadly lacked weight, and but for this disadvantage they would probably have won. N. Croucher and Davies scored for the Europeans, both goals being the result of some good footwork. Mr. J. MacPherson was the referee.

HONGKONG TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

The following were the results of the games which were played yesterday:—

Mixed Doubles handicap:—Mrs. Winslow and Nesbit (own 30/1), defeated Mrs. Woolle and Sandford (rec. 15/1), 6-1, 6-2.

Professional Pairs:—R. Hancock and H. Hancock defeated Murphy and Thurfield, 6-3, 6-2.

Handicap Singles:—"B" Class.—Miskin (own 25), defeated Larkin (rec. 15), 6-4, 6-4.

## "GIVE NO NOTICE"

### A GERMAN HINT TO SUBMARINE CAPTAINS.

While some German critics are fully satisfied with the progress of the submarine campaign and describe England as in process of being choked by the "iron ring closing round her with mathematical certainty," Count Reventlow considers that "suicidal humanitarianism" on the part of submarine captains is whittling away the whole scheme.

Count Reventlow is acknowledged in Germany as an expert critic, and both before and during the war has had the reputation of being in specially close touch with the German Admiralty. His views, therefore, may be taken to represent an Admiralty hint.

"Masses of light vessels, especially destroyers," he asserts in the *Deutsche Tageszeitung*, "have been gathered by the British Admiralty in the Irish Sea and the Channel, but the torpedo-boat is recognised as the submarine's worst enemy. They can be used in all waters. There are large numbers of them available; they are exceedingly mobile, and can rise from passivity to maximum speed at a moment's notice. They carry guns with very rapid fire and capable of mortally injuring at a considerable distance any submarine showing itself on the surface."

Count Reventlow proceeds to describe the method of using destroyers to catch submarines. "We have to picture a submarine hunt by destroyers somewhat thus. These light craft either cruise at definite distances from another or they lie still, preserving the same distance. Each of them, however, exercises all the time an extremely careful control of that section of the surface of the sea appointed for it. The moment that the periscope of a submarine or perhaps even the conning tower appears above the surface it is fired at, or else a torpedo-boat or destroyer which happens to be favourably placed for the manoeuvre leaps at top speed towards the point where the submarine has appeared, its object being to ram the submarine before the adversary has seen it or has had time to dive deep enough to enable the enemy's vessel to glide over it. Even if the attempt to ram is a failure the enemy's destroyers only increase their watchfulness. On this ground that the submarine must sooner or later come somewhere to the surface to get its bearings. That is particularly the case in waters where there is a great deal of merchant shipping."

Explaining the picture thus drawn, Reventlow points out that owing to the narrow range of vision of the submarine through its periscope, or even from the conning tower, compared to the range of its own visibility from the bridge of a destroyer, it is quite possible for a destroyer to perceive it and reach the spot travelling at full speed before the submarine in turn can sight the destroyer and dive to safety.

"It follows necessarily," he says, "that submarines should show themselves as little as possible on the surface of the water. In recent days it has been repeatedly stated that German submarines have summoned British and French steamers to stop and ordered the crew to leave the vessel by signal or megaphone. That is doubtless humane, but it is exceedingly dangerous and may even be suicidal. It is probable, he argues, that destroyers so far off or in such a light as to be invisible from a submarine may now the meeting of steamer and submarine through powerful modern glasses and may rapidly approach the spot, possibly even concealed behind merchant ships. The delay in sinking the stopped merchantman may then easily prove fatal to the submarine. The necessary conclusion, he adds, is that this dangerous humanitarianism may "endanger the whole strategic purpose of the submarine in this shipping war." He desires not to be understood, however, as suggesting that this or similar "suicidal humanitarianism" was necessarily the cause of the loss of *U8* and *U12*. (He would, of course, have to think so.)

He then tells captains of submarines what they are to do. They are to appear "as little as possible" upon the surface, and only so long and so far as it is necessary to keep the merchant-ship in view until the torpedo is actually fired. Vessels are not to be summoned, nor are crews to be given warning, for "if the submarine war against British and French trade is to be permanently effective any consideration for the crews of the enemy's steamers must disappear before the supreme command of self-preservation on the part of the submarine. If the British Admiralty want the steamer crews saved, it must take its torpedo-boats, and its armed yachts and other vessels away from the war zone."

SHIPBUILDING BOOM IN JAPAN.

A Japanese contemporary observes:—The bulk of cargo-boats now in use in Japan were imported from abroad except those belonging to the M. B. K. and the Mitsubishi Gomen Kaisha.

Now that Great Britain has prohibited the sale of merchantmen under the British flag to foreign countries to preclude further dearth of vessels, the importation of at least British vessels into Japan and Manchuria has become impossible.

On the other hand, the shipping boom in Japan has now reached its apex, and not a ship is lying idle, almost all the available cargo-boats having either been chartered for command as military transports, or there are only a few vessels left to work the coasting services of Japan, Manchuria, etc.

Under these circumstances, some shipping companies of Japan have chosen to build vessels in Japan, and orders have already been placed with a couple of dockyards for the construction of ten cargo-vessels, all of Isherwood system.

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Hongkong, 22nd April, 1915. [629]

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**  
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**THE Steamship**  
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having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees  
of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods  
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No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
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Undersigned.  
**DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.,**  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 22nd April, 1915. [29]

## HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

## NOTICE.

**THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING** of the  
above Club will be held on SATURDAY,  
the 24th April, 1915, at 12.30 P.M., at the Office  
of the HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB, on the Ground  
Floor of the HONGKONG CLUB ANNEX, Charter  
Road.

By Order,  
**T. F. HOUGH,**  
Clerk of the Course.  
Hongkong, 16th April, 1915. [483]

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER  
OF COMMERCE.

## NOTICE.

**THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the  
Members of the HONGKONG  
GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
will be held on MONDAY, the 26th April,  
1915, at 4 o'clock P.M., in the  
OLD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ROOM  
(CITY HALL), for the following purposes—

- (1) To receive the Report and Accounts of  
the Committee for the year ended 31st  
December, 1914.
- (2) To elect a new Committee.
- (3) To transact any General Business.

By Order,  
**E. A. M. WILLIAMS,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 16th April, 1915. [499]

THE TEBONG RUBBER AND  
TAPIOCA ESTATE, LIMITED.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the  
SEVENTH ANNUAL GENERAL  
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the  
above Company will be held on FRIDAY,  
the 28th day of May, 1915, at 4 P.M. at No. 10,  
Canton Road, Shanghai.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 28th  
May, 1915, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,  
**J. A. WATTIE & Co., Ltd.,**  
Secretaries and General Managers. [520]

THE TEBONG RUBBER AND  
TAPIOCA ESTATE, LIMITED.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that an  
EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL  
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the  
above Company will be held on FRIDAY,  
the 28th day of May, 1915, at 11.15 o'clock in the afternoon,  
for the purpose of (1) considering and if thought  
fit approving the draft new Articles which  
will be submitted to the Meeting and in the event  
of the approval of the draft with or without  
modifications (2) considering and if thought fit  
passing a Resolution which will be proposed as  
an Extraordinary Resolution, to the effect—

"THAT the new Articles already approved  
by the Meeting and for the purpose of  
"Identification" subscribed by the Chairman  
thereof, and the same are hereby approved  
and that such resolutions be and they are  
hereby adopted as the Articles of the Company  
in substitution for and to the exclusion of all  
the existing Articles thereof."

A copy of the proposed new Articles may be  
seen at the Company's Head Office.

Should the above Resolution be passed by the  
 requisite majority it will be submitted for  
confirmation as a Special Resolution to a  
further Extraordinary General Meeting and  
such Meeting will be held on the 11th day of  
June, 1915, at the same time and place for the  
purpose of considering and if thought fit  
confirming such Resolution as a Special  
Resolution accordingly.

The TRANSFER BOOKS and Register of  
Members of the Company will be CLOSED  
from the 1st day of May, to the Twenty-Eighth  
day of May, 1915, both days inclusive.

Dated the 14th day of April, 1915.  
By Order of the Directors,  
**J. A. WATTIE & Co., Ltd.,**  
Secretaries and General Managers. [521]

G. E.  
NOTICE.

All Persons applying to the PROVOST  
MARSHAL for Passes are requested in  
future to apply between the hours of 9 A.M. to  
1 P.M. and 2 to 4 P.M. daily.  
Hongkong, 16th February, 1915. [292]

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Hongkong, 22nd April, 1915. [469]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF  
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## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the  
FOURTH ANNUAL ORDINARY  
MEETING of the Society will be  
held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings,  
Hongkong, TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the  
23rd April, 1915, at Noon, for the purpose of  
receiving the Report of the Directors together  
with the Statements of Account to 31st Decem-  
ber, 1914, and of declaring Dividends, &c.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society  
will be CLOSED from 18th April to the 23rd  
April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
**C. MONTAGUE EDE,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 9th April, 1915. [484]

CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE  
COMPANY, LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the  
FOURTH ANNUAL ORDINARY  
MEETING of the Company will be  
held at its Head Office, No. 2, Queen's Buildings,  
Hongkong, TO-MORROW (FRIDAY), the  
23rd April, 1915, at 12.15 P.M., for the purpose of  
receiving the Report of the Directors together  
with the Statements of Account to 31st Decem-  
ber, 1914, and of declaring Dividends, &c.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from 13th April to the 23rd  
April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
**C. MONTAGUE EDE,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 9th April, 1915. [485]

## THE CHINA-BORNEO CO., LIMITED

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

**THE TWELFTH YEARLY MEETING** of  
SHAREHOLDERS of the above  
Company will be held at the Company's Office,  
St. George's Building, at Noon on FRIDAY,  
the 30th April, 1915, to receive a Statement  
of Accounts to 31st December, 1914, and the  
Report of the General Manager and Consulting  
Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee  
and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 16th April to the  
30th April, 1915, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,  
**W. G. DABBY,**  
General Manager.  
Hongkong, 13th April, 1915. [494]

## CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

**THE THIRTY-FOURTH ORDINARY**  
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS  
will be held at the Office of the Undersigned  
on MONDAY, the 10th May, 1915, at  
11.30 A.M.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company  
will be CLOSED from the 26th April, to the  
10th May, 1915, both days inclusive.

**JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,**  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, 20th April, 1915. [527]

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## THE SHARE CERTIFICATES Nos.

2410/2411 for 10 and 25 Shares  
respectively, numbered 12739/12743 and  
35658/35693 inclusive, standing in the register  
in the joint names of GEORGE ANDREW  
HASTINGS and JOHN BARHAM CARLAKI,  
Solicitors, Liverpool and Birmingham, having  
been LOST or DESTROYED, NOTICE  
IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the said  
Certificates be produced at the Office of the  
Company, Queen's Buildings, Victoria, Hong-  
kong, before the 24th April, 1915, New  
Certificates for the said Shares will be issued  
and the Old Certificates will thereafter be held  
by the Company as Null and Void.

**GEO. A. CALDWELL,**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 25th March, 1915. [426]

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY,  
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## NOTICE.

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that  
in respect of all SEASON-TICKETS  
available for Three Months issued on and after  
1st May, next, the respective Prices will be as  
follows—

Gentlemen ... .. \$36.00  
Ladies ... .. \$18.00  
Children ... .. \$12.00

and that the Price of Servants' Punch Tickets  
available for 30 Rides will be \$1.50.

Season Tickets expiring in April can be  
extended to April 30th, on same terms *pro rata*  
as now in force, but no three-monthly Season  
Tickets and no Annual Tickets will be issued  
in April.

Notice is further given that on and after 1st  
May next, daily return Tickets and Annual  
Tickets will be abolished.

By Order of the Directors,  
**JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,**  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 1st April, 1915. [484]

## HOUSES TO LET.

## TO LET—FURNISHED.

**NO. 4, STEWART TERRACE, THE PEAK.**  
Rent \$125.  
Apply—  
"X. Y. Z."  
Care of "Daily Press" Office.  
Hongkong, 16th April, 1915. [508]

## TO LET.

**A HOUSE in TORRES BUILDINGS,**  
Kimberley Road, Kowloon.  
Apply to—  
**SPANISH DOMINICAN  
PROCURATION.**  
Hongkong, 15th April, 1915. [501]

## TO LET.

**A HOUSE at Observatory Villas, Kowloon.**  
Apply to—  
**ABRAHAM V. APCAR & Co.**  
Hongkong, 16th March, 1915. [383]

## TO LET.

**GODOWN, No. 94, Praya East.**  
Apply—  
**KWONG HANG HONG, Ltd.,**  
No. 248, Des Voeux Road Central.  
Hongkong, 18th February, 1915. [305]

## TO LET—AT THE PEAK.

**NO. 2, STEWART TERRACE,**  
Furnished and newly done up.  
Apply—  
**H. B. FOLLOK,**  
Prince's Building.  
Hongkong, 20th January, 1915. [53]

## TO LET.

**A HOUSE in Knutsford Terrace**  
Kowloon.  
Apply—  
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd.**  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1915. [45]

## TO LET.

**GODOWN, No. 6, Duddell Street.**  
Apply—  
**A. B. AVASIA,**  
Care of E. PARANET,  
No. 1, Duddell Street.  
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1915. [244]

## TO LET.

**HOUSES in CLIFTON GARDENS,**  
Conduit Road.  
OFFICE, facing the Harbour between the  
Hongkong Club and Post Office.  
55, THE PEAK, "THE RETREAT."  
21, WONG-NEI-CHUNG ROAD.  
GODOWNS, New Praya, Kowloon Town.  
GODOWNS, at Wanchai Road.  
Apply, etc.  
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd.**  
Hongkong, 1st April, 1915. [38]

## TO LET.

**FLATS in Nathan Road, Kowloon.**  
A FLAT in Humphry's Buildings, Kowloon.  
"PENYBREW," Maiden Cove, Kowloon.  
6-Roomed House with Tennis Court.  
1 and 2, MILDEN VILLAS, Kowloon.  
5-Roomed House with Tennis Court.  
FOUR-ROOMED HOUSES in Humphry's  
Avenue, Gordon Terrace and Salisbury Avenue,  
Kowloon.  
Apply to—  
**HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE  
CO., Ltd.,**  
Alexandra Buildings.  
Hongkong, 20th April, 1915. [280]

## TO LET.

**QUEEN'S BUILDING.**  
TO LET, the South-West portion of the  
FIRST FLOOR, including Treasury  
on Ground Floor, lately in occupation of the  
German Bank.  
GODOWN, No. 9, Lee House Street.  
Apply to—  
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-  
MENT & AGENCY CO., Ltd.**  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1915. [35]

## TO LET.

**OFFICES in St. George's Building**  
Second Floor, overlooking Harbour  
immediate possession.  
Apply to—  
**SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.**  
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1914. [39]

## TO LET.

**ALEXANDRIA BUILDINGS,**  
VERY CONVENIENT OFFICES  
and ROOMS, including a Fine Commodious  
Suite.  
Apply—  
**SECRETARY,  
A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.**  
Hongkong, 23rd October, 1914. [38]

## TO LET.

**THE GROUND FLOOR of No. 6, DES  
VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL,** occupied  
by Madame Gains, etc.  
Apply to—  
**DAVID SASSOON & Co., Ltd.**  
Hongkong, 10th February, 1915. [272]

## TO LET.

**"BISHOP'S LODGE SOUTH," No. 11,  
THE PEAK, Unfurnished, 5 Rooms.**  
Entrance on Conduit Road.  
3 ROOMS, suitable for Offices, 1st Floor,  
Queen's Road Central.  
"WESTWARD HO," Bonham Road.  
"EGGSFORD," No. 124, THE PEAK,  
Unfurnished (6 Rooms), from 1st May, 1915.  
"MERRICK," No. 6, THE PEAK, Unfurnished  
(6 Rooms).  
ROOMS in BEACONSFIELD and 55,  
ELGIN TERRACE.  
"ROGATE," Austin Road, Kowloon.  
No. 2, DES VOEUX VILLAS, 51, PRAY  
(Unfurnished).  
ROOMS, suitable for Offices, on the First  
Floor of No. 3, Duddell Street.  
No. 69, THE PEAK (CAMERON VILLAS).  
Apply to—  
**LINSTEAD & DAVID,  
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings.**  
Hongkong 29th March, 1915. [43]

## INTIMATION

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try a Whisky Pyeris and you will ask for it  
again.

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The only fermented Stone Ginger Beer in  
the Far East. The real charm of Stone Ginger  
Beer is the favour placed by partial  
familiarization without this no Stone Ginger  
Beer can be said to be genuine.

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"Dryness" is a feature which has helped to  
give this drink the popularity it so well  
deserves.

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\$0.60 " " SPLITS.

A. S. WATSON & CO.,  
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## BIRTH.

**GARWOOD.**—On April 14th, at Shanghai,  
to Mr. and Mrs. WALTER H. GARWOOD,  
a daughter.

## MARRIAGE.

**MURRAY-BRAND.**—On April 16th, at  
Shanghai, DOUGLAS BENNETT MURRAY,  
only son of C. H. MURRAY, Esq., of  
Bury, Sussex, to JULIA MARY,  
youngest daughter of the late David  
BRAND, Esq., of Shanghai.

## DEATHS.

**STARK.**—On April 14th, at Shanghai,  
WILHELMINA MENDES, the dearly  
beloved wife of CHARLES ERWIN  
STARK.

**BASSETT.**—On April 14th, at Shanghai,  
KATHERINE BASSETT, widow of the late  
Capt. T. BASSETT, aged 87 years.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 104, DES VOEUX ROAD C.  
LONDON OFFICE: 151, FLEET STREET, E.C.

## The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 22ND, 1915.

## LITERATURE OF THE WAR.

The distinction of having written what  
is generally acknowledged to be the most  
graphic narrative of the operations lead-  
ing up to the first great Battle of Ypres  
belongs to Mr. WILL IRWIN, a specially  
gifted American writer, who contributed  
to the London Daily Mail the brilliant  
account which we print to-day on  
pages 5 and 7. We say advisedly  
the "first great Battle of Ypres,"  
because the telegrams of the last  
few days have been telling us of a second  
big battle in the same district which has  
evidently been no less sanguinary, and  
scarcely of less importance and signifi-  
cance than the first, though the signifi-  
cance of the second is of a somewhat  
different order. The significance of the  
first victory was that it put an effective  
check to the German advance, while the  
feature of the second is that it marks  
a stage in the great offensive of the Allies.

The great encounter near Ypres during  
the past week will serve to lend added  
interest to the operations described by  
Mr. IRWIN. "When history runs a  
thread through the confusions and ob-  
scurities of Armageddon," says Mr.  
IRWIN, "historians may call the Battle of  
Ypres the most vital battle in the annals  
of the island empire." His narrative  
is a veritable epic on the magnitude of  
courage and tenacity of purpose shown

by our troops in the extremely critical  
situation in which they found themselves  
in the early stages of the war, i.e. covering  
the retreat from Mons, with eventually  
the victory of the Marne, and then the  
advance and the prolonged battle of the  
Aisne and the culminating victory of  
Ypres. Field-Marshal Sir JOHN FRENCH,  
in his memorable despatch on the Battle of  
Ypres, said the deeds of the Army on this  
occasion would furnish some of the most  
brilliant chapters in the Military history  
of our time. Mr. IRWIN's narrative,  
written some months after the event, when  
full information became available, makes  
a story that will live in the literature  
of the country. "Not Crecy, nor Blen-  
heim nor Waterloo now seem more im-  
portant," he writes. "The Battle of  
Ypres closed the last gap in the  
combined-defensive operations of the  
Western Allies. It made impossible—short  
of an utter collapse of the Allied Armies  
—any further German move on Paris or  
any move to take the French in the rear.  
Most importantly to England, it sealed  
the road to Calais; that vital, critical  
port, within eyesight of the English coast.  
Further, more English troops were en-  
gaged here than in any previous battle  
of the Empire, more Germans than in  
the whole Franco-Prussian War—a hun-  
dred and twenty thousand English against  
six hundred thousand Germans. It seems,  
in its relation to the whole picture, like  
one of those brigades which won immortal  
glory in old wars by holding a crucial  
point on a battle-line. As to  
lock the line from La Bassée to the  
sea coast England—60,000 men out of  
120,000 engaged—a proportion of loss  
greater than any previous war ever knew  
—there is no need to apologise for the  
length of the narrative. The literary  
power and skill which are revealed in Mr.  
IRWIN's presentation of the facts place  
this story on a very high plane of literary  
accomplishment. It conveys to the reader,  
in a way that official despatches fail to  
do, the full meaning and the vital im-  
portance of the operations in which the  
British Army were engaged, and the glow-  
ing tribute of admiration, which the  
author pays to the magnificent  
manner in which the Expeditionary  
Force added lustre to the glorious  
traditions of the British Army, forms  
an epic which no man can read  
unmoved. As coming from the pen of  
an American observer the tribute will be  
all the more appreciated by British read-  
ers. The Battle of Ypres is by no means  
the last great battle. That at Neuve  
Chapelle, which has been fought since,  
was the most sanguinary single action in  
which the British Army has yet engaged,  
unless it has been surpassed in the suc-  
cessful fighting of the past few days westward  
of Zwartewater on the Ypres-Commines  
railway. The splendid fighting qualities  
of our troops have provided and will con-  
tinue to provide much material for bril-  
liant chapters in the history of the coun-  
try, but whatever importance subsequent  
successes may have in the general plan  
of operations, nothing can detract from  
the high importance and significance of  
the Battle of Ypres, which is so graphi-  
cally described in the article we reproduce  
in to-day's issue, and which we cordially  
recommend everyone to read.

A mail for Europe via Siberia closes  
to-morrow at 1 p.m. and at 4 p.m.

Mr. F. R. J. Adams, civil engineer  
and architect of Canton, has received  
news of the death of a brother at the  
front.

From Japanese sources we learn that  
Dr. G. E. Morrison has concluded a  
contract to extend his services to Presi-  
dent Yuan Shih-kai as a Political  
Adviser for another five years.

At the Magistrate's yesterday a Chinese  
shopkeeper of Yaumati was fined \$50 for  
offering for sale a pig that was diseased.

Mr. Adam Gibson, Colonial Veterinary  
Surgeon, gave evidence to the effect that  
the carcass of the pig was in a very bad  
state.

Mr. Cheung Tsoi, the inventor of a  
system of Chinese shorthand, is giving a  
lecture this evening in Chinese before the  
members of the Chinese Young Men's  
Christian Association at 8 p.m. Mr.  
Cheung Tsoi will explain the principles  
of his system and give demonstrations.

The bursary offered by the Engineer-  
ing Society of China for the best pass in  
mathematics in the Junior Cambridge  
Local examinations has been won by Chu  
Win-ching, a pupil at St. Francis  
Xavier's School, Shanghai. He secured a  
pass in arithmetic, geometry, algebra,  
trigonometry, mechanics, mensuration,  
survey, and geometrical drawing. In the  
number of marks gained the winner was  
closely followed by three other boys of  
the same school. The award this year  
was made by the Cambridge Local  
examiner.

## POWERS OF A LIQUID.

## AN AGREEMENT REACHED.

The cases were again mentioned at the  
Summary Court yesterday in which  
Messrs. Shawan, Tomes & Co., as liquida-  
tors of Reuter, Brockleman & Co., sued  
the Onger Machinery Co., of 47, Queen's  
Road Central, for the return of twelve  
sewing machines, or, in the alternative,  
the payment of \$514.

Mr. Sheaton (of Messrs. Deacon, Looker,  
Deacon & Harston), speaking on behalf  
of both parties, said that the case would  
now be settled on the following terms:  
In the case in which the Onger Machinery  
Co. were suing Messrs. Shawan Tomes &  
Co. for \$300, being money due on a pre-  
vious contract with Reuter, Brockleman  
& Co., that would be withdrawn, and in  
reference to the present action the Onger  
Machinery Co. would return on Saturday  
next to Messrs. Shawan, Tomes & Co.,  
as liquidators, seven machines of the  
value of \$301, such machines to be in good  
order and condition. They would also  
pay the sum of \$313, representing \$213  
value of the machines still in their posses-  
sion, and \$100 costs.

The case was adjourned for a week to  
enable this to be done.

## "UNDER TWO FLAGS."

There was a disappointing audience at  
the Theatre Royal last night, when the  
Howitt-Phillips Company presented  
"Under Two Flags," adapted from  
Ouida's famous novel bearing that title.  
The piece gave Miss Gertrude Godart,  
who has proved herself one of the most  
accomplished actresses that has visited  
Hongkong, liberal scope for the display  
of her talent, and her portrayal of the  
character of "Cigarette," the pet of the  
Algerian Army, was exceptionally good.  
As "Berlie Cecil Royallieu," the scion  
of a noble English family, who bears  
the burden of a brother's crime and exiles  
himself in Algeria as a soldier in the  
French Army, Mr. Charles Howitt fully  
sustained his high reputation.

The Company gives its last performance  
to-night, when the sporting comedy "A  
member of Tattersall's" will be pro-  
duced.



# THE WAR.

## GERMANY'S ENORMOUS LOSSES.

### ENEMY PREPARING TO EVACUATE MENIN.

### BRILLIANT FEAT BY H.M.S. "TRIUMPH" AND "MAJESTIC."

### IMPORTANT SUCCESS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

### NO NEED FOR CONSCRIPTION IN GREAT BRITAIN.

### PRIME MINISTER & MUNITION WORKERS.

### FRANCO-BELGIAN FRONT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

#### THE LATEST BRITISH SUCCESS.

REPORT BY FIELD-MARSHAL FRENCH.

LONDON, April 20th.

Field-Marshal French in a bulletin issued this evening reports:—

On the 17th inst. we exploded a mine under Hill 60 on the Ypres-Comines railway, westward of Zwarteleen, and immediately attacked and took possession of the whole of the enemy's trenches on the hill. We put the trenches won in a state of defence during the night, despite a heavy bombardment causing many casualties.

The enemy renewed the bombardment towards morning and counter-attacked with determination. Stiff hand-to-hand fighting ensued. The British infantry, fighting with great gallantry and determination, well supported by artillery, drove off the enemy with complete success.

Our losses were very heavy, but the Germans suffered still more severely, particularly from machine-guns, which caught them in close order in the open. Throughout the 18th inst. the enemy repeatedly renewed their attacks, desperately trying to recapture a position which is of great importance. They once gained a footing on the southern slope, but were promptly defeated, and the whole hill by nightfall was in our hands.

The ground gained has been consolidated and this morning (19th inst.) the enemy's attacks ceased, but they continued to bombard the hill.

We captured four officers and 45 men.

#### GERMANS PREPARING TO EVACUATE MENIN.

LONDON, April 20th.

It is stated at Rotterdam that the fighting south-east of Ypres was of the fiercest description. Wounded are arriving at Bruges unceasingly.

It is reported that the enemy are preparing to evacuate Menin.

#### ALL COMMUNICATION WITH BELGIUM STOPPED.

BELIEVED TO BE DUE TO THE MOVEMENT OF GERMANS.

AMSTERDAM, April 20th.

A telegram from Maastricht says that all communication with Belgium has been stopped. No traveller, even if provided with a proper pass, is allowed to cross the frontier in either direction.

This prohibition is believed to be connected with the movements of German troops.

#### LIES TO JUSTIFY BROKEN PLEDGES.

#### GERMAN ALLEGATIONS AGAINST THE BRITISH.

LONDON, April 20th.

Field-Marshal Sir John French emphatically denies the German statement that the British have been using asphyxiating gases in the Ypres district.

Any such statement, says Sir John French, is false, and is doubtless made in order to justify the use of these gases by the Germans, who freely employed them in their attacks on Hill No. 60, despite the fact that they signed the clause in the Hague Convention eliminating from warfare the use of asphyxiating gas.

### GERMAN SAVAGERY.

#### "PRISONERS WERE NOT TAKEN."

LONDON, April 20th.

Extracts from German letters are quoted by "Eye-witness," giving an account of the treatment accorded to prisoners of war, and they make the most painful reading. The diary of a German officer dated December 19th says that:

"the sight in the trenches of the fury, not to say bestiality, of our men beating to death wounded Englishmen—affected me so much that for the rest of the day I was fit for nothing."

An extract from another letter says that some Englishmen, being surrounded, surrendered after a gallant resistance. "but they got mercy! Rifle butts were turned and we went for them and made sparks fly. Prisoners were not taken."

A French civilian, who has returned from captivity, predicts that more than a quarter of the prisoners in Germany will die of hunger before six months, while the remainder will suffer for the rest of their lives from the horrors of their captivity.

Some inhabitants returning from the occupied area brought samples of bread issued to them which was a kind of soft brown dough largely composed of potatoes and extremely indigestible.

#### ARTILLERY ACTIONS IN FRANCE.

PARIS, April 20th.

To-day's communiqué reports particularly lively artillery actions at Soissons, Rheims and Argonne.

#### THE FRENCH STILL NIBBLING.

PARIS, April 20th.

The evening communiqué states that fifty incendiary shells have been dropped upon Rheims.

There has been artillery fighting, unsupported by infantry, in Champagne. In Argonne slight progress has been made between the Meuse and Moselle. Near the Flirey-Essey road our attacks have slightly progressed.

At Bois le Pretre the Germans violently bombarded the French positions in the regions of Croix des Carmes. The attempted attack was promptly stopped by the French Artillery.

Two counter-attacks at Hartmannswillerkopf were repulsed.

### RUSSIAN FRONT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

#### A POSITION RECAPTURED.

PERNOGRAD, April 20th.

A communiqué states:—The enemy in the direction of Stry gained a footing on the height at Orszewik. We counter-attacked in the evening and recaptured the positions, taking prisoners, the exact number being at present unknown.

We mined a German trench at East Rozanka, and took the position at the point of the bayonet, capturing prisoners and guns.

### AIRSHIP ACTIVITY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

#### THE EMPIRE OF THE AIR. BRITISH STILL IN THE ASCENDANT.

LONDON, April 20th.

Field Marshal Sir John French reports an improvement in the weather, which has been followed by increased aeroplane activity, our airmen, as usual, defeating the enemy.

The Germans unsuccessfully exploded a mine at Saint Eloi, and harmlessly exploded three others at La Bassée.

#### SUPERIORITY OF BRITISH AVIATORS.

LONDON, April 20th.

An American correspondent referring to the superiority of British aviators describes a fight between British and German aeroplanes above the German lines. He counted 32 smoke balls, each betokening shrapnel, ranged regularly above two British machines as they drove a German into British territory. After a battle lasting 1½ hours the German was brought down, the aviator being killed.

### THE NEAR EAST.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

#### THE BALKAN STATES. SIGNIFICANT MOVEMENTS.

NISH (Serbia), April 21st.

An official message states that several bands of Bulgarian Comitadjis have entered Serbia during the past few days. Troops were sent to meet them.

Seven hundred Albanians attacked the (Turkish) frontier near Ochrida on Sunday and a battle ensued, but details of it are lacking.

#### BRITISH SUCCESSES IN THE PERSIAN GULF.

LONDON, April 20th.

In the House of Lords, the Earl of Crewe said the successes achieved in the Persian Gulf did great credit to the commanders of the troops. Our cavalry on the 18th inst. reached Makhalan, which they found had been abandoned, though strongly entrenched. Up to the present it had not been possible to follow the enemy by water beyond Gushshyah, but the commander had ordered the channels to be reconnoitred. The commander at Shaiba, from personal observation, estimates the enemy's casualties on the 14th inst. at not less than 2,500.

#### BRITISH CAMPAIGN IN MESOPOTAMIA.

#### DISSENSION BETWEEN TURKS AND ARABS.

LONDON, April 20th.

Replying to a request for information about the British operations in Mesopotamia, EARL CREWE, speaking in the House of Lords, said that we had been under no delusions regarding the probability of attack by considerable Turkish forces. That was why we strengthened our position by despatching troops thither from India and Egypt.

His lordship laid emphasis on the fact that the operations threatening the oil-fields pipeline in the neighbourhood of the Karun River represented the object of the Turkish attack.

Referring to the co-operation of the Arabs with the Turks, Lord Crewe said the reports he was receiving seemed to indicate considerable disaffection and dissension between the Arabs and the Turks. It might, therefore, be hoped that as the campaign proceeded and the Turks received more lessons like that at Shaiba the Arabs would be less inclined to join them.

#### VON DER GOLTZ.

AMSTERDAM, April 19th.

Field-Marshal von der Goltz has been appointed Commander of the First Turkish Army.

#### SUSPENSION OF PARIS-MARSEILLES-BRINDISI EXPRESS.

LONDON, April 20th.

The P. & O. Company announces that the Paris-Marseilles-Brindisi Express has been suspended.

### NAVAL ACTIVITIES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

#### BRITISH NAVAL EXPLOIT. VOLUNTEER CREWS DESTROY WRECKED BRITISH SUBMARINE.

GALLANT CONDUCT OF MEN OF THE "TRIUMPH" AND "MAJESTIC."

LONDON, April 20th.

The Admiralty announces that the British submarine *E17*, which went aground in the Dardanelles while attempting to carry out a difficult operation, was in danger of being captured in a serviceable condition. The Turks made great efforts to secure her. Long range fire of British battleships had failed to destroy the submarine. Consequently two picket boats, one from the *Triumph*, under Lieut. Commander Eric Robinson, who commanded the expedition, assisted by Lieut. Webb and Midshipman Woolley, the other from the *Majestic*, under Lieut. Godwin, manned by volunteer crews—attacked the submarine. The boats were subjected to very heavy fire. It is estimated that 200 rounds were fired from the *Triumph* and when the crews were only a hundred yards distant they had also to encounter the fire of a number of smaller guns at short range. Nevertheless, the submarine was torpedoed and rendered useless.

The *Majestic's* picket boat was holed and sunk, but the crew were saved by the other boat. The only casualty was one man who died of wounds.

Vice-Admiral de Robeck, the British Commander-in-Chief of the operations at the Dardanelles, speaks in the highest terms of all concerned in the exploit.

The Admiralty has promoted Lieut. Commander Eric Robinson to the rank of Commander and requested the Vice-Admiral in command to report the officers and men with a view to recognition of their gallantry.

#### DUTCH STEAMER STRIKES A MINE.

LONDON, April 19th.

The crew of the Dutch steamer *Olinda* have been brought to Grimsby. The steamer struck a mine in the North Sea on a voyage from Seabam to Rotterdam.

### GENERAL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

#### THE PRIME MINISTER AND MUNITION WORKERS. UNPRECEDENTED REQUIREMENTS AND A SHORTAGE OF LABOUR.

LONDON, April 21st.

The Rt. Hon. H. H. Asquith, the Prime Minister, received a great ovation while visiting Newcastle tonight for the purpose of addressing the munition workers. He affirmed with emphasis that he saw no sign in any quarter of the King's Dominions of any flagging of the national spirit. Practically every household was contributing to the fighting forces, and everyone working with brain and muscle to maintain the supply of necessary munitions was equally a combatant. This was the nation's war, and no one was worthy of the name of a British citizen who was not participating in it. There had been an unprecedented rush of recruits in a spirit of the finest self-sacrifice. The same spirit was needed in the munition factories.

He affirmed that there was not a word of truth in the statement that the work at the Front had been crippled by a lack of supplies. (Loud cheers.) There had not been any general slackness on the part of employers or employees. The present situation was due to the unprecedented scale upon which ammunition was expended to-day, and to the shortage of skilled labour owing to the success of recruiting. (Cheers.) He was convinced that when the factories were organised and mobilised all would be well.

The Rt. hon. gentleman concluded by mentioning the late Mr. Gladstone's saying that Britain was contributing her best blood to the war, but there were others not on the battlefield who were showing manifold honest heroism as deep as those who were standing in the fighting line. (Great cheering.)

### NO NEED FOR CONSCRIPTION.

LONDON, April 20th.

In the House of Commons at question time, Mr. Lloyd George announced that the Government was not of opinion that there was any ground for believing that the war would be more successfully prosecuted by means of conscription. Lord Kitchener was very gratified with the response to the appeals to the nation.

#### GERMANY'S ENORMOUS LOSSES.

TWO AND THREE-QUARTER MILLION MEN.

AMSTERDAM, April 19th.

According to the latest Prussian casualty lists the total German losses are 2,750,000.

#### GERMAN ABSURDITIES. HOLLAND AND ENGLAND THE OBJECTS OF PIOUS HOPES.

LONDON, April 20th.

Eye-witness present with General Headquarters gives instances of the absurd forms that are assumed by German hatred. Thus gasometers at Diederikshoven are painted in enormous letters with the word "Gott Strafe England," while recently soldiers in the trenches were heard shouting "Gott Strafe Holland."

#### GERMAN RESPECT FOR OUR ARTILLERY.

LONDON, April 20th.

Eye-witness present with General Headquarters reports that the fire from our trench mortars lately has been very effective. A few days ago, opposite Gevinchy, our concentrated fire drove the Germans from their front trenches to the second line, where they received the attention of our artillery.

The prisoners taken express great respect for our artillery, and especially for our field guns, whose shrapnel is splendidly timed.

#### IRON CROSSES DESPISED. WHOLESALE DISTRIBUTION TO "FAVORING DEADHEADS."

LONDON, April 20th.

The wholesale distribution of Iron Crosses—says "Eye-witness"—has caused the decoration to be despised by the fighting troops, who say they are being given to "fawning deadheads," who have never even heard the sound of a bullet. No fewer than thirty thousand Crosses were distributed before the fall of Liege.

#### "PROUD AND OBSTINATE." GERMAN SOLDIERS' VIEW OF BRITISH PRISONERS.

LONDON, April 20th.

In his latest report, Eye-witness says that the German private soldiers consider that the British prisoners are very proud and obstinate. They say that they refuse to work in mines and factories like other prisoners. They are not allowed to work in the fields, which, apparently, they are willing to do, for fear of concerted attempts to escape. Consequently they are more strictly guarded and more harshly treated.

#### THE CASUALTY LISTS.

LONDON, April 20th.

The latest casualty lists contain the following names:—

Killed—J. Nisbet and R. Waddell. Dying—D. C. Chisholm, I. Davies, J. N. Guthrie, P. D. Harris, G. E. Hill, G. Pears, and W. Rodrick.

#### LOCAL GOVERNMENT IN INDIA.

#### THE KING'S REPLY TO THE LORDS' ADDRESS.

LONDON, April 20th.

H.M. the King, acknowledging the address presented by the House of Lords against the proclamation of a Council for the United Provinces, says he will give directions that no further proceedings shall be taken upon the draft proclamation, but without prejudice to the making of a new draft.

### IMPORTANT SUCCESS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

CAPE TOWN, April 21st.

An important success is officially reported, the Union Forces occupying a town and railway in the centre of Keetmanshoop, German South-west Africa.

CAPE TOWN, April 21st.

General Smuts has issued an Army Order which states that, with the seizure of Bethany, Seehelm, and Keetmanshoop, the southernmost provinces of Damara Land (forming part of German South-West Africa) from the Orange River on the south to Luderitzbucht on the west, and Hasuur on the east have been occupied.

The central, eastern and southern forces hitherto operating separately will now co-operate in forming a southern Army, as distinguished from General Botha's northern Army.

#### OPERATIONS IN AFRICA.

LONDON, April 20th.

Lord Lucas informed the House of Lords that, as a result of the recent operations, East Africa and Nyasaland were quiet. Anglo-French forces in the Cameroons were dealing with the German strongholds at Mandara Hills and Beuna River. French columns had also penetrated from Ubangishari into the Middle Congo and Gabon territories.

#### UNITED STATES NEUTRALITY. THE PRESIDENT EXPLAINS ITS MOTIVE.

NEW YORK, April 21st.

President Wilson, in a speech delivered at the Associated Press luncheon, declared that the neutrality of the United States was not due to any petty desire to escape trouble. It was dictated by a much greater motive. The United States would acquire the distinction of being a nation capable of self-control, and would therefore be bound to play an important part in adjusting the affairs of the world at the end of the war.

He added that the United States did not desire a foot of anybody's territory.

#### CHINESE TELEGRAMS. ["DAILY PRESS" EXCLUSIVE SERVICE.]

#### THE PEKING NEGOTIATIONS.

PEKING, April 21st.

Another Conference between the Japanese and Chinese negotiators took place to-day.

Sixteen questions on the subject of the negotiations have been tabled in the British Parliament, and the answers given to these are expected to disclose the British official views.

#### NEGOTIATIONS INTERRUPTED.

[FROM THE "CHEUNG NGOI SAN PO."] PEKING, April 21st.

The Japanese Minister has received orders to stop temporarily the Conference on the subject of the demands which Japan is making on China.

[HAWAS SERVICE.]

The *Times* announces that negotiations between China and Japan have reached a deadlock.

#### STATE CONTROL OF TELEGRAPHS AND TELEPHONES.

PEKING, April 21st.

An Ordinance providing for the State control of telegraphs and telephones has been promulgated to-day.

#### CHINESE BUDGET SYSTEM.

PEKING, April 21st.

A Presidential Mandate has been issued amending the Budget system. The financial year will begin on January 1st and end on December 31st.

#### BIGGER ARMY FOR THE UNITED STATES.

NEW YORK, April 19th.

Making an address here on Saturday, Mr. Garrison, Secretary of War, said that the need of a trained body of reserves and a large army was apparent. The United States, he said, will not be able to dodge the issue.







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